Expression of interest for acquiring interest of the DPC

706. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has invited "expression of interest" for acquiring the interests of the Dabhol Power Company Ltd. (DPC);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the companies who have shown interest and submitted expression of interest to the Government; and

(d) by when the proposal is likely to be concluded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Enron and other off-shore sponsors in the Dabhol Power Company (DPC) have expressed their intention to exit from the Dabhol Power Project. The Industrial Bank of India (IDBI) issued an advertisement in leading business newspapers in India on 30.1.2002 and 31.1.2002 inviting Expression of Interests (EOI) from domestic/overseas corporates for acquiring the interests of the off-shore sponsors.

(c) EOIs have been received from 7 parties (*viz.* Tata Power, BSES, Gas Authority of India Ltd., Shell International Gas, Gaz de France, Reliance Industries and British Gas India Pvt. Ltd.).

(d) As informed by IDBI, as per current estimates, the bids from prospective sponsors might be received by May, 2002 and allowing some time for negotiations etc., the new sponsors are expected to be identified by June, 2002.

Demand and supply of power in the country

707. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand and supply of power in country, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of additional power proposed to be generated during the next financial year, hydro, thermal and nuclear, sector-wise;

(c) the time by which Government propose to make the country self-sufficient in power and when there would be no power cut in the country; and

(d) the efforts made by Government in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The actual power supply position, State-wise/Region-wise, in the country during the period April, 2001—January, 2002 is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) The target of electricity generation in the country for the next financial year (2002-2003) is yet to be finalised. However, 27552 MUs of additional electricity is proposed to be generated during 2002-03. Out of this, 18754 MUs and 10298 MUs are proposed to be generated from thermal and hydro sources, respectively. No additional generation is proposed during 2002-03 from Nuclear sources because of closure of Unit-I of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station and Unit II of Madras Atomic Power Station for major upgradation and capital maintenance work.

(c) and (d) the Government has planned to make the country self-sufficient in power by the year 2012. The following steps are being taken to achieve this target:

(i) Renovation and Modernisation (R&M) and life extension of existing old and inefficient generating units. Special fund under Accelerated Power Development Programme for undertaking R&M schemes is being provided to States.

(ii) Speedy implementation of Reforms & Restructuring in the Power Sector.

(iii) Early stabilization of newly commissioned generating units.

(iv) Reduction in Transmission and Distribution losses.

(v) Promoting energy efficiency and conservation measures.

(vi) Disbursement of loans by the Power Finance Corporation for improving operation and maintenance of thermal power stations under the Accelerated Generation Programme.

(vii) Expeditious implementation of capacity addition programme to enable doubling of the generation capacity by 2012.

(viii) Maximization of inter-state and inter-regional power transfer by construction of transmission links and system improvement and finally leading to formation of the National Grid.

(ix) Formulation of hydel policy for exploitation of hydro potential at a faster pace.

Statement

Actual power supply position

(All figures in MU)

REGION/STATE/ SYSTEM	APRIL, 2001-JAN. 2002			
	Requirement	Availability	Shortage (-) Deficit (+) Surplus	%
NORTHERN REGION				
CHANDIGARH	959	957	-2	-0.2
DELHI	16500	15986	-514	-3.1
HARYANA	15320	15078	-242	-1.6
HIMACHAL PRADESH	2752	2700	-52	-1.9
JAMMU & KASHMIR	5439	4824	-615	-11.3
PUNJAB	24805	23640	-1165	-4.7
RAJASTHAN	20413	20200	-213	-1.0
UTTAR PRADESH	40628	36539	-4089	-10.1
N.R.	**126816**	**119924**	**-6892**	**-5.4**
WESTERN REGION				
CHHATTISGARH	6602	6400	-202	-3.1
GUJARAT		44359	39327	-5032
-11.3				
MADHYA PRADESH	25643	21793	-3850	-15.0
MAHARASHTRA	66525	60687	-5838	-8.8
GOA	1475	1475	0	0.0
W.R.	**144604**	**129682**	**-14922**	**-10.3**
SOUTHERN REGION				
ANDHRA PRADESH	39400	36115	-3285	-8.3
KARNATAKA	26509	23268	-3241	-12.2
KERALA	10990	10232	-758	-6.9
TAMIL NADU	38372	35740	-2632	-6.9
S.R.	**115271**	**105355**	**-9916**	**-8.6**
EASTERN REGION				
BIHAR	7831	7483	-348	-4.4
D.V.C.	6992	6992	0	0
ORISSA	10227	10227	0	0
WEST BENGAL	17229	17170	-59	-0.3
E.R.	**42279**	**41872**	**-407**	**-1.0**
NORTH-EASTERN REGION				
ARUNACHAL PR.	112.1	110.3	-1.8	-1.6
ASSAM	2922.3	2898.9	-23.4	-0.8
MANIPUR	377.3	362.3	-15	-4
MEGHALAYA	562.3	567.2	-4.9	-0.9
MIZORAM	234.5	230.3	-4.2	-1.8
NAGALAND	219.4	218.5	-0.9	-0.4
TRIPURA	544.9	515.6	-29.3	-5.4
N.E.R.	**4972.8**	**4903.1**	**-69.7**	**-1.4**
ALL INDIA	**433943**	**401736**	**-32207**	**-7.4**